



## *The Cunninghams Serving In The Dominican Republic*



Dear Friends and Family

June 2025

We have shared many times with you about the school ministry and how Las Palmas is truly making a difference within the community of San Pedro. Recently, the rankings of schools came out naming Las Palmas Christian School as the 34<sup>th</sup> best school in the entire country - considering there are over 12,000 schools in the DR – the ranking sounds a little more impressive. Even more impressive is Las Palmas scored better than any other school in San Pedro!

One constant that we share with the teachers is the fact that while these scores are important and meaningful on earth – they do not matter in Heaven. Las Palmas uses education as a tool to build the Kingdom, and integrating the Bible in every subject is making a difference for eternity! This year there were 9 decisions made for salvation and many others that surrendered to serving the Lord in ministry.

We want you to meet, Maria. Maria is a rising Senior. She was one of those students that would not hold her head up when she passed you. She always had a scowl on her face. She looked and seemed miserable. When you would try to greet her – you were lucky to get a simple “head nod!” Maria made the decision to accept Jesus as her personal Savior this year and she is a completely changed young lady. She is ALWAYS smiling. She is eager to help. She has a heart for serving and has brought tears to the eyes of all that have seen the dramatic and beautiful transformation in her life. Maria is just one of the reasons the ministry of Las Palmas exists.



Many of you have given to the school to help needy students, to build buildings, and to put in our basketball court and covering. Many of you have prayed for the ministry. Many of you are praying now for us to find 2 new American/English speaking teachers for next school year. YOU ALL have had a part in Maria coming to know the Lord!

Another blessing this past month was visiting a new work (to us) in a small town about 40 minutes from our home. The Paloma Baptist Church is located off of a long, narrow dirt road. There is no air conditioning, only a small projector to put up words on the screen, and a congregation that consists of people that walk long ways to attend church each week. I (John) had the opportunity to preach on Dominican Mother's Day for our friend Robersy Lara who is currently pastoring the church. He and his wife Sarah have two ministries where they are serving at the same time. One church (Paloma) meets in the mornings on Sunday and the other church plant meets at 5:00 on Sunday afternoon. Please lift Robersy and Sarah up in your prayers and for Lynn and I as we seek the Lord in how we might be a blessing to them and their work.

Because He Came, We Must GO

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